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OF AND AEROPONIC GROWING)
OF PLANTS AND VESSELS)
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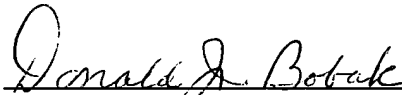
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The article is undated, but Applicants acknowledge it as a printed publication published before the date the subject matter of the application was invented.

It should be evident that none of the art provided herein accomplishes the objects of the present invention. The Applicants believe that the claims of the subject application are patentably distinct over the art of record. In the event the Examiner would care to discuss any of the disclosed art more specifically, the undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call.

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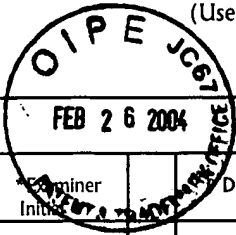
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